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## 1966 TEA CROP TO BREAK

## RECORD; TRADE INCREASES

### Summary

World tea production for 1966 (excluding Mainland China) is forecast at a record 2,130 million pounds, up 3.6 percent over the 1965 outturn of 2,056 million pounds. Larger crops are anticipated in almost all major producing countries, as growers continue to expand acreage and replant with higher yielding varieties. Rising world consumption has paralleled the upward trend in production, and once again is expected to absorb the estimated bumper harvest.

World exports in 1965 also set a record, exceeding 1963's high of 1,250 million pounds. In 1965, Ceylon replaced India as the world's largest tea exporter, shipping 494.5 million pounds, compared with India's exports of 439.5 million.

New York wholesale prices of black teas during 1965 averaged 53.1 cents per pound, up slightly from the 1964 average of 51.8 cents. Prices have averaged 51.7 cents during the first 5 months of 1966. Over the years, world tea prices have remained relatively stable; however, growers are being faced with ever-increasing production costs and more taxation.

Imports of tea into the United States--the world's second largest importer--during 1965 totaled 130.3 million pounds valued at \$57.5 million, down slightly from the 1964 imports of 133.6 million pounds valued at \$59.7 million. Imports during the first 4 months of 1966 amounted to 48.3 million pounds, compared with 43.4 million pounds during the similar 1965 period.

TEA: Production by specified major producing countries, 1966 with comparisons<sup>1</sup>

Continent and country	Average 1955-59	1962	1963	1964	1965 <sup>2</sup>	Forecast 1966
	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds	Million pounds
Asia:						
Ceylon.....	395.9	467.0	484.6	481.7	503.2	520.0
India.....	695.9	764.4	763.7	826.2	810.0	820.0
Indonesia.....	100.2	104.1	84.8	98.9	95.0	95.0
Iran.....	13.2	27.6	27.4	23.1	31.5	33.0
Japan.....	163.2	170.8	178.8	183.6	170.7	184.0
Malaysia.....	5.2	6.3	6.0	6.9	7.0	7.0
Pakistan.....	53.5	51.6	54.2	62.2	60.0	62.0
Taiwan.....	33.2	43.5	46.5	40.3	45.4	45.0
Turkey.....	5.6	18.2	22.3	22.2	24.0	25.0
USSR.....	63.7	92.8	101.5	100.5	102.2	107.0
Viet Nam, South..	8.1	10.0	10.4	11.9	11.5	11.5
Total.....	1,537.7	1,756.3	1,780.2	1,857.5	1,860.5	1,909.5
Africa:						
Congo, Leopoldville	4.9	8.5	11.5	10.0	11.0	11.0
Kenya.....	23.1	36.2	39.9	44.6	43.7	52.0
Malawi.....	20.7	29.4	26.3	27.3	28.6	32.0
Mauritius.....	1.7	2.8	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.3
Mozambique.....	15.2	20.7	19.0	22.2	24.2	25.0
Rhodesia.....	1.5	2.8	2.7	3.2	3.0	3.0
Tanzania.....	6.1	9.5	11.1	10.6	12.5	15.5
Uganda.....	8.0	13.9	13.6	16.8	18.5	22.0
Total.....	81.2	123.8	127.4	137.8	144.7	163.8
South America:						
Argentina.....	5.2	21.0	24.0	27.5	34.0	38.5
Brazil.....	3.1	11.1	13.5	13.7	14.0	15.0
Peru.....	1.9	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.8	2.9
Total.....	10.2	34.4	39.9	43.7	50.8	56.4
Grand total.....	1,629.1	1,914.5	1,947.5	2,039.0	2,056.0	2,129.7

<sup>1</sup> Because of lack of data, production estimates for Mainland China have been discontinued. <sup>2</sup> Preliminary.

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Asia: Asian production is forecast at 1,910 million pounds, up about 50 million over the 1965 harvest. Asian production in 1965 increased only 3 million pounds over the previous year, as unfavorable weather in India and Japan offset gains in Ceylon and Iran.

Production in Ceylon is forecast at 520 million pounds, up 3 percent over the record 1965 harvest of 503.2 million. The record 1965 crop was attributed to favorable weather and to extensive replanting and rehabilitation programs. Production of the 1966 crop through the end of February has totaled 76.4 million pounds, 8.8 million ahead of the similar 1965 period.

For tea factories, the government has proposed a loan scheme to enable existing plants to become more efficient and to increase operating capacity through acquisition of additional machinery and through replacement of old equipment. This scheme also allows for the construction of new factories to enable the processing of Ceylon's ever increasing tea production. Financing will be through the Tea Subsidy Fund.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Food has released a Draft Five-Year Program for the period 1966-70, which calls for an increase in tea production of 90 million pounds by 1970. This expansion is to be brought about through the Tea Replanting Subsidy Scheme, the Rubber-into-Tea Replanting Subsidy Scheme, and by the increased usage of fertilizer on small-holders' farms through a modified Tea Rehabilitation Subsidy Scheme.

Some of the more important proposals mentioned in the Program were: The planting of new tea areas without eradication of an equivalent of tea areas (subject to the provision that total area of new tea to be planted is not excessive and is subject to a definite limit); increasing of the current subsidy of Rs. 1,500 per acre, to Rs. 3,000 for replanting old rubber with tea; and extending of issuance of subsidized fertilizer, under the Tea Rehabilitation Subsidy Scheme, for a further period of 5 years.

Average Colombo auction prices for High-grown teas during 1965 were virtually unchanged from the previous year, at 41 cents per pound. Medium-grown teas averaged 35 cents per pound, up about 1.5 cents from 1964; Low-grown teas increased in price 3.2 cents per pound over 1964, to an average of 34.5 cents per pound.

Exports during 1965 reached the record level of 494.5 million pounds valued at \$254 million, compared with 455.3 million pounds at \$240 million during 1964. Tea exports comprise approximately two-thirds of Ceylon's foreign exchange earnings.

Exports to the United Kingdom rose to 178 million pounds and accounted for over one-third of total shipments. Mainland China's buying nearly tripled, to 10.1 million pounds, and purchases by Iran more than doubled, to 13.1 million. Exports to the United States and to the USSR remained unchanged from 1964 at 47 million and 11 million pounds, respectively.



CEYLON: Auction prices of tea for export, 1960-65--cents per pound (net wt.) average, by months

Month	High-Grown Tea					
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
January .....	42.2	46.4	40.5	41.0	40.1	41.0
February .....	42.6	49.6	45.2	43.1	44.1	46.4
March .....	43.7	51.0	49.6	45.6	45.4	47.5
April .....	40.3	47.9	44.7	41.6	41.2	44.4
May .....	38.2	44.5	38.4	38.4	38.0	37.3
June .....	37.6	41.8	36.8	35.5	36.1	35.9
July .....	39.9	43.5	39.1	36.5	36.5	37.3
August .....	46.8	45.8	43.5	41.6	41.4	43.8
September .....	48.7	50.8	47.0	41.8	44.7	43.7
October .....	46.0	55.9	44.3	40.7	41.2	40.0
November .....	46.6	44.3	43.9	38.9	40.5	38.0
December .....	42.4	42.0	41.6	37.4	40.3	37.2
Annual Avg. ....	42.9	47.0	42.9	40.2	40.8	41.0

Month	Medium-Grown Tea					
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
January .....	39.5	39.1	31.9	34.9	31.7	34.4
February .....	38.4	40.0	33.4	36.1	34.0	36.2
March .....	36.8	40.1	36.8	35.5	34.4	37.3
April .....	35.5	39.3	36.1	34.4	33.8	38.3
May .....	33.6	38.0	32.1	32.8	31.1	33.4
June .....	32.3	36.8	30.0	29.6	30.0	32.0
July .....	33.2	37.0	30.9	29.6	30.2	32.8
August .....	36.5	35.5	33.4	31.9	33.2	35.7
September .....	39.1	37.4	35.5	31.9	37.2	37.4
October .....	39.7	35.9	36.8	31.9	35.7	34.9
November .....	40.1	33.6	38.2	31.1	35.5	34.4
December .....	38.0	30.9	35.7	30.2	35.3	33.5
Annual Avg. ....	36.9	37.0	34.2	32.5	33.5	35.0

Month	Low-Grown Tea					
	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
January .....	40.7	41.8	33.2	33.0	33.2	32.6
February .....	40.3	41.6	33.0	34.2	33.8	34.1
March .....	38.9	40.7	34.0	33.6	34.2	33.0
April .....	38.2	40.1	33.6	34.0	34.4	34.3
May .....	38.0	41.0	33.4	33.8	32.8	33.2
June .....	36.3	39.1	31.9	32.6	32.3	33.3
July .....	36.3	38.4	31.1	31.1	30.2	33.7
August .....	37.6	36.5	31.1	29.8	28.4	34.4
September .....	37.6	35.7	31.1	29.6	27.9	37.1
October .....	39.1	33.2	32.3	32.1	27.7	36.6
November .....	39.5	31.3	35.3	31.7	29.4	36.5
December .....	39.1	30.2	33.4	30.9	31.3	35.7
Annual Avg. ....	38.5	37.5	32.8	32.2	31.3	34.5

Administration Reports of the Tea Controller through 1964.

The first International Tea Convention, sponsored by the Colombo Tea Traders Association, was held in Ceylon from January 15 to 22, 1966, to renew and expand contacts between the Ceylonese tea trade and foreign buyers. Sixteen countries were represented at the Convention.

India's production is estimated at 820 million pounds, up 10 million over the 1965 outturn, but still below the record 1964 harvest of 826.2 million pounds. Fertilizer allotments were increased for the 1966 season and weather conditions early this year have been generally favorable.

Despite a record harvest in South India, the 1965 crop was reduced because of unfavorable growing conditions in the major northern tea areas. During the India-Pakistan conflict, approximately 6.6 million pounds of North Indian teas, being transported to the Calcutta market, were seized by Pakistan and sold for consumption on the local market.

A tea production goal of 1 billion pounds has been set as the target for 1970-71 under the Fourth Five-Year Plan (1966-71). As present acreage amounts to about 850,000 acres, an addition of 120,000 acres, as well as greater incentives for growers in the areas of tax relief and lower production costs, will be required to achieve this goal.

Tax allowances (announced in the 1966-67 Budget) for replanting were increased from 20 percent to 35 percent and deductions for new plantings were raised from 40 to 50 percent. In comparison, the Ceylonese Government permits the whole cost of new plantings to be tax-deductible. Also adopted for 1966-67 was a provision for the establishment of a development rebate of 35 percent of the cost of tea machinery and equipment, and the first 8 percent of the profits of domestically-owned tea companies will be tax-exempt. However, higher overall tax rates on corporation income will offset these benefits, to a large degree.

Exports during 1965--at 439.5 million pounds valued at \$239 million--declined for the third consecutive year. Shipments to the United Kingdom fell 13 percent to 229.7 million pounds and U. S. buying declined 17 percent to 17.2 million pounds. However, exports to the USSR increased 24 percent to 57.7 million pounds.

Japan's crop is expected to approximate the record 1964 harvest of 183.6 million pounds. Unfavorable weather during the early part of the season reduced the 1965 outturn to 170.7 million, 7 percent below the previous year. Exports increased slightly to 10.4 million pounds during 1965, but were still well under the 1955-59 average of 22.2 million pounds.

Imports of instant tea--all from the United States--totaled 65,236 pounds, up slightly from the 1964 level of 58,259 pounds. Even though imports rose slightly in 1965, they were still below the 1962 and 1963 levels of 101,945 and 97,479 pounds, respectively.

TEA: Exports from specified producing countries  
by destination, 1964-65

Destination	Ceylon		India		Japan	
	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
Aden .....	3,248	6,220	(1/)	(1/)	---	---
Afghanistan .....	---	---	10,628	8,144	---	---
Algeria .....	---	---	---	(1/)	2,690	4,409
Arabia, Saudi .....	7,844	7,182	(1/)	(1/)	44	15
Australia .....	37,753	41,427	12,482	9,526	2	---
Belgium-Luxembourg ..	88	136	51	(1/)	---	---
Canada .....	15,955	16,886	12,573	10,536	326	313
Chile .....	3,324	1,905	214	145	---	---
China, Mainland .....	3,643	10,127	(1/)	(1/)	---	---
Egypt .....	8,497	8,155	35,150	39,632	---	---
France .....	1,266	1,650	188	(1/)	82	33
Germany, West .....	2,614	3,041	4,508	4,151	---	---
Hong Kong .....	2,002	1,936	3	(1/)	2	4
Iran .....	5,284	13,302	4,991	6,493	---	---
Iraq .....	42,551	43,257	4,339	3,386	---	---
Ireland .....	4,228	5,008	11,069	14,019	---	---
Italy .....	2,586	3,261	20	(1/)	---	---
Japan .....	4,027	4,811	(1/)	(1/)	---	---
Kuwait .....	3,806	4,708	1,373	1,184	---	---
Libya .....	6,395	8,527	---	---	670	269
Netherlands .....	9,518	10,479	6,861	6,365	---	24
New Zealand .....	13,775	16,363	833	1,400	---	---
South Africa .....	31,769	31,094	---	(1/)	---	---
Sudan .....	---	1	8,082	7,930	---	---
Syria .....	6,689	4,163	(1/)	(1/)	---	---
Tunisia .....	---	---	435	---	1,102	1,102
United Kingdom .....	167,093	177,965	263,798	229,713	392	694
United States .....	47,550	46,701	20,679	17,167	1,768	2,890
USSR .....	11,161	11,118	46,583	57,705	---	---
Other .....	12,607	15,033	19,259	22,024	468	709
Total .....	455,273	494,456	464,119	439,520	7,546	10,462
Value \$1,000 .....	239,589	254,016	259,792	239,147	(2/)	(2/)

1/ If any, included in other. 2/ Not available.



Production in Pakistan is expected to reach 62 million pounds. The East Pakistan Agricultural Development Bank is planning to finance loans totaling \$30 million for expansion of tea cultivation by 28,000 acres during the Third Plan period (1965-70).

Production in the USSR is forecast at 107 million pounds, up 5 million pounds over the 1965 harvest. Under the new Five-Year Plan (1966-70), the area under tea in Georgia is expected to be increased to 173,000 acres, against 153,000 acres under tea in 1965.

Africa: African production continues to increase steadily. The 1966 crop is forecast at 163.8 million pounds, about double the 1955-59 average. The 1965 African crop was retarded somewhat by drought conditions in many of the producing countries.

Production in Kenya is expected to reach 52 million pounds this year as new plantings come into bearing. Lack of sufficient rainfall reduced the 1965 harvest to 43.7 million pounds, slightly under the record 1964 outturn.

Kenya's tea acreage has been expanding rapidly; 61,172 acres were under tea at the close of 1965, compared with 39,380 acres in 1960 and 23,415 acres in 1954. Production through March has totaled 16.6 million pounds, an increase of 5.9 million pounds over the corresponding period in 1965.

Exports during 1965 fell slightly to 35.1 million pounds, compared with 36.4 million in the previous year; however, because of higher prices the 1965 shipments earned over \$17 million, compared with \$16.8 million in 1964.

Production in Malawi is estimated at 32 million pounds, 12 percent above the 1965 outturn. The harvest through February has totaled a record 11.5 million pounds, against 7.3 million pounds during the similar 1965 period.

Uganda's crop is forecast at 22 million pounds, up 19 percent over the record 1965 harvest. The government hopes to produce 50 million pounds by 1976, through the continued expansion of tea acreage. Nearly 15 million pounds of tea were exported in 1965 valued at \$6.7 million.

The Uganda Tea Growers Corporation was recently established to plan and implement the development of tea growing by smallholders. Financing will be made available by both government and commercial sources and by levies on individual tea growers.

Tanzanian production is estimated at 15.5 million pounds, 3 million over the record 1964 crop. Under Tanzania's Five-Year Plan, a production target of 24 million pounds has been set for 1970.

South America: South American production is forecast at 56.4 million pounds, up 11 percent over the 1965 outturn and more than 5 times as large as the 1955-59 average. Increases are anticipated for all producers of this area.

TEA: Exports from specified producing countries  
by destination, 1964-65

Destination	Kenya 1/		Uganda 1/		Tanzania 1/	
	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds	pounds
United Kingdom .....	21,230	20,864	6,584	7,375	7,577	7,291
United States .....	4,994	3,981	1,412	1,255	513	561
Netherlands .....	1,885	2,806	1,502	1,874	594	655
Canada .....	3,096	2,800	1,158	1,345	404	225
Sudan .....	1,819	1,859	1,127	1,005	152	65
Ireland .....	893	1,406	730	1,184	187	78
Somali .....	1,081	279	208	81	63	2
Australia .....	887	445	429	476	113	41
Germany, West .....	152	222	68	48	78	121
USSR .....	---	163	---	---	---	---
New Zealand .....	151	146	143	137	5	1
Aden .....	85	15	---	30	5	9
France .....	15	5	15	11	8	11
Others .....	87	94	45	113	7	10
Total .....	36,375	35,085	13,421	14,934	9,706	9,070
Value U.S. \$1,000 :	16,873	17,033	6,192	6,687	4,237	4,026

1/ Excludes trade between Kenya, Uganda, and Tanzania.

Argentine production is estimated at a record 38.5 million pounds. Weather conditions have been favorable, and output is expected to exceed the record 1965 harvest of 34 million pounds. Exports during 1965 were a record 27.5 million pounds, an increase of 37 percent over the previous year. Shipments during the first two months of 1966 totaled 6.4 million pounds, compared with 1965 and 1964 exports for the corresponding period of 3.8 million and 4.8 million pounds, respectively.

Moderate increases are expected for both Brazil and Peru again this year.

#### Major Importing Countries

United Kingdom imports during 1965 amounted to 559.5 million pounds, up 23.8 million over the preceding year, but still under the 1963 level of 563.1 million pounds. Imports from India continued to decline to 252.5 million pounds, compared with 264.8 million and 282.8 million pounds in 1964 and 1963, respectively. Shipments from Ceylon recovered to 176 million pounds; imports from Argentina, Pakistan, China, and the Netherlands were also up significantly.

Reflecting smaller shipments from Ceylon and India, imports into the United States during 1965 fell slightly to 130.3 million pounds. Imports from India continued to decline during the first 4 months of 1966; however, larger imports from Ceylon and Indonesia boosted the January-April total to 48.3 million pounds, up nearly 5 million over the corresponding 1965 period.

Tea sales by U. S. retail stores in 1965 amounted to a record 102 million pounds, valued at \$236 million, up 4 percent over the previous year and 11 percent above the 1960-64 average.

Sales of instant tea (including the convenient mixes which have sugar and flavoring added) have been capturing an ever-increasing share of the market. Last year, instant tea accounted for 22 percent of the volume and one-fourth of the value of retail tea sales, against only 5 and 7 percent, respectively, during 1960. Instant sales are expected to have one-third of the market by 1970.

Tea bag sales--the most popular retail item--have continued to expand at a somewhat moderate rate. Sales in 1965 reached 57 million pounds valued at \$140 million. Sales of packaged tea have declined rapidly in recent years and now account for only 22 percent of the market, compared with 35 percent in 1960 and 48 percent in 1955.

TEA: Sales by United States retail stores, 1965  
with comparisons 1/

Year	Total	Tea Bags	Packaged Tea	Instant Tea <u>2/</u>
	<u>Mil. lbs.</u>	<u>Mil. lbs.</u>	<u>Mil. lbs.</u>	<u>Mil. lbs.</u>
1955 .....	80.1	40.9	38.5	.7
1956 .....	80.5	42.3	37.3	.9
1957 .....	81.7	45.0	35.3	1.4
1958 .....	83.8	47.9	33.9	2.0
1959 .....	85.8	49.8	33.2	2.8
1960 .....	86.1	51.0	30.3	4.8
1961 .....	89.0	52.9	29.1	7.0
1962 .....	91.8	53.8	27.8	10.2
1963 .....	94.5	54.9	26.0	13.6
1964 .....	97.9	55.0	24.3	18.6
1965 <u>3/</u> .....	102.4	57.1	22.5	22.8

Year	Total	Tea Bags	Packaged Tea	Instant Tea <u>2/</u>
	<u>Mil. dol.</u>	<u>Mil. dol.</u>	<u>Mil. dol.</u>	<u>Mil. dol.</u>
1955 .....	168	105	61	2
1958 .....	187	125	57	5
1959 .....	191	128	55	8
1960 .....	196	131	51	14
1961 .....	203	135	49	19
1962 .....	209	137	46	26
1963 .....	216	139	43	34
1964 .....	226	138	40	48
1965 <u>3/</u> .....	236	140	38	58

1/ Excludes sales by hotels, restaurants, and institutional users.

2/ Includes iced tea mixes.

3/ Preliminary.

Source: A. C. Nielsen Company.



TEA: United States imports by country of origin, 1964-65

Continent and country	1964		1965	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	1 000	1,000	1 000	1,000
	<u>pounds</u>	<u>dollars</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>dollars</u>
Asia:				
Ceylon .....	58,938	26,715	53,285	24,922
Hong Kong .....	213	193	276	198
India .....	25,013	13,549	21,223	11,515
Indonesia .....	13,988	4,633	15,735	5,231
Israel .....	2	2	1	1
Japan .....	1,899	695	2,635	704
Malaysia .....	59	31	98	50
Pakistan .....	14	10	14	6
South Asia .....	4	1	---	---
Taiwan .....	7,145	1,769	8,430	1,885
Thailand .....	29	10	17	6
Turkey .....	37	10	5	2
Viet Nam .....	139	68	---	---
Total Asia .....	107,480	47,686	101,719	44,520
Africa:				
Cameroon .....	1	1	54	29
Congo .....	348	132	639	238
Ivory Coast .....	---	---	6	2
Kenya .....	7,119	3,329	7,168	3,320
Mauritius .....	3	1	10	4
Mozambique .....	1,892	623	2,295	785
Nigeria .....	10	6	8	5
Rhodesia and Malawi .....	3,244	1,306	3,330	1,313
South Africa .....	58	24	167	74
Tanzania .....	647	344	682	369
Uganda .....	949	521	1,150	589
Other .....	9	5	4	2
Total Africa .....	14,280	6,292	15,513	6,730
Latin America:				
Argentina .....	264	72	387	99
Brazil .....	780	285	1,267	473
Costa Rica .....	---	---	46	19
Peru .....	66	34	---	---
Salvador .....	---	---	1,103	462
Total Latin America .....	1,110	391	2,803	1,053
Other:				
Canada .....	2,335	1,969	3,090	2,367
France .....	2	4	3	4
Germany, West .....	11	4	10	4
Ireland .....	16	11	32	24
Netherlands .....	7,868	2,955	6,904	2,484
United Kingdom .....	489	423	267	312
Total .....	10,721	5,366	10,306	5,195
Grand total .....	133,591	59,735	130,341	57,498

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TEA: Imports into the United Kingdom by  
country of origin, 1962-65

Origin	1962	1963	1964	1965 <u>1/</u>
	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>	<u>pounds</u>
Commonwealth:				
India .....	270,081	282,781	264,833	252,486
Ceylon .....	174,862	174,407	166,424	175,942
Kenya .....	20,141	21,161	26,819	25,990
Malawi .....	22,832	18,680	17,566	13,305
Rhodesia .....	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	<u>2/</u>	363
Tanzania .....	7,029	6,825	6,852	7,806
Uganda .....	5,326	4,141	3,978	4,793
Malaysia .....	3,143	2,400	2,959	1,981
Pakistan .....	10,524	645	4	4,814
Other .....	1,913	2,317	1,789	2,268
Total .....	515,851	513,357	491,224	489,748
Other foreign:				
Mozambique .....	15,162	11,735	10,866	13,014
Indonesia .....	7,970	10,817	6,185	9,204
China, Mainland .....	3,532	5,933	3,542	7,188
Netherlands .....	2,343	4,759	9,154	15,004
Argentina .....	4,141	5,793	5,724	9,356
Viet Nam .....	2,927	3,411	3,257	4,271
Other .....	5,488	7,283	5,687	11,691
Grand total .....	557,414	563,088	535,639	559,476

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Included with Malawi.

TEA: Exports from specified major producing countries, 1965 with comparisons

Country	Average 1955-59	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965 1/
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Asia:						
Ceylon .....	374,473	425,721	451,633	455,874	455,273	494,456
China, Mainland 2/ .....	91,800	68,000	64,000	61,000	65,000	65,000
India .....	463,305	454,791	471,784	492,821	464,119	439,520
Indonesia .....	79,556	79,725	72,077	62,026	54,279	55,000
Japan .....	22,166	17,635	18,933	8,122	7,546	10,426
Malaysia .....	3,491	5,238	5,141	4,433	4,464	4,500
Pakistan .....	14,370	5,689	8,733	57	711	6,000
South Vietnam .....	713	3,651	4,134	4,396	4,738	4,500
Taiwan .....	25,011	32,194	27,463	30,143	33,561	44,368
Turkey .....	---	---	---	---	3,395	5,719
Total .....	1,074,885	1,092,644	1,123,898	1,118,872	1,093,086	1,129,489
Africa:						
Congo, Leopoldville .....	4,157	2/	7,879	11,135	7,390	8,000
Kenya .....	16,795	21,894	29,657	32,950	36,375	35,085
Mauritius .....	699	1,747	1,589	2,175	1,674	2,480
Mozambique .....	14,364	21,837	19,817	18,389	19,879	22,000
Malawi .....	19,870	30,051	28,249	25,186	27,731	28,000
Tanzania .....	4,870	7,086	8,734	8,808	9,706	9,070
Uganda .....	5,983	8,499	11,608	12,108	13,421	14,934
Total .....	66,738	98,114	107,533	110,751	116,176	119,569
South America:						
Argentina .....	406	11,798	14,105	17,499	19,992	27,512
Brazil .....	947	2,593	3,175	2,887	3,878	4,000
Peru .....	30	93	25	99	89	192
Total .....	1,383	14,484	17,305	20,485	23,959	31,704
Grand total .....	1,143,006	1,205,242	1,248,736	1,250,108	1,233,221	1,280,762

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Estimated.

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BLACK TEA: New York wholesale prices per pound, by months 1/

Month	1963	1964	1965	1966
	<u>cents</u>	<u>cents</u>	<u>cents</u>	<u>cents</u>
January .....	53.7	51.2	50.9	53.1
February .....	55.1	52.7	53.0	51.8
March .....	54.2	52.9	52.6	51.0
April .....	53.3	52.3	53.1	51.0
May .....	54.5	50.7	51.7	
June .....	53.0	50.8	52.7	
July .....	53.0	51.1	54.2	
August .....	53.2	51.3	54.4	
September .....	52.3	52.8	54.3	
October .....	52.4	52.9	53.6	
November .....	51.9	52.0	52.9	
December .....	51.3	50.9	53.3	
Annual Average .....	53.2	51.8	53.1	

1/ Ceylon and Indian teas, standard grade, composite price.

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